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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN SEIZURE OF OPIUM FROM TURKISH VESSEL

1. UN DRUG ORGANS HAVE TAKEN ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

2. ACTING UNFDAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WELLMAN SAW TURKISH CHARGE OCT 15 AND PROVIDED SUMMARY OF INFO AVAILABLE UNFDAC FROM PRESS/US SOURCES CONCERNING OPIUM SEIZURE FROM TURKISH VESSEL. CHARGE NOTED HE HAD RECEIVED REPORTS CONCERNING SEIZURE FROM ANKARA AS WELL AS TURKISH EMBASSIES WASHINGTON AND CAIRO. SAID HE RECOGNIZES IMPORTANCE OF NAILING DOWN THE ORIGIN OF OPIUM. ADDED HE EXPECTS RECEIVE FURTHER INFO ON CASE FROM ANKARA BY NEXT WED. SAID TURKISH AUTHORITIES ARE ASKING EGYPT FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CASE BUT EGYPTIANS ARE BEING DIFFICULT.

3. WELLMAN HAS APPOINTMENT SEE EGYPTIAN CHARGE OCT 18 TO URGE EGYPT TO COOPERATE FULLY WITH TURKISH AUTHORITIES AND MAKE AVAILABLE ALL INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THE QUESTION OF ORIGIN OF THE SEIZED MATERIAL AND TO
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REFER TO THIS CONNECTION TO THE IMPORTANCE OF UNFDAC'S

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PROGRAM IN TURKEY.

4. ACTING DND DIRECTOR BRAENDEN TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY OCT. 15 TO TELEPHONE EGYPTIAN CND REPRESENTATIVE EL HAKIM TO REQUEST THAT SAMPLE OF SEIZED OPIUM BE SENT URGENTLY TO UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY FOR ANALYSIS AND TO ASK FOR CABLE SETTING FORTH FULLEST POSSIBLE INFO CONCERNING DETAILS OF SEIZURE. IN LETTER CONNECTION BRAENDEN INTENDS REFER TO OBLIGATION OF PARTIES PURUSANT TO ARTICLE 18(1)(C) OF SINGLE CONVENTION ON NARCOTIC DRUGS AND TO RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN 1974 BY ECOSOC, ON RECOMMENDATION OF CND, REMINDING GOVTS OF THIS OBLIGATION. (AS ADDRESSEES ARE AWARE, ARTICLE 18(1)(C) PROVIDES THAT PARTIES, OVER AND ABOVE ANNUAL REPORTS ON CASES ILLICIT TRAFFIC, SHALL FURNISH PARTICULARS AS CND MAY DETERMINE ON CASES IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF LIGHT THROWN ON THE SOURCE FROM WHICH DRUGS ARE OBTAINED FOR ILLICIT TRAFFIC OR BECAUSE OF QUANTITIES INVOLVED OR METHOD EMPLOYED BY THE TRAFFICKERS. ECOSOC RESOLUTION 1844 (LVI) OF 1974 REFERS TO THIS ARTICLE OF THE SINGLE CONVENTION AND REMINDS GOVTS IN PARTICULAR OF THEIR OBLIGATION TO COMMUNICATE TO THE SYG PROMPTLY INFO CONCERNING CASES OF ILLICIT TRAFFIC WHICH ARE OF INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE AND TO SPECIFY FULL PARTICULARS RELATING TO SEIZURES.)

5. BOTH WELLMAN AND BRAENDEN HAVE TELEPHONED INTERPOL HEADQUARTERS TO OBTAIN INFO CONCERNING EGYPTIAN SEIZURE AND TO URGE INTERPOL ASSIST UN DRUG ORGANS IN OBTAINING FULLEST POSSIBLE DETAILS FROM EGYPTIANS AND TURKS. THEY WERE UNABLE OBTAIN AANY INFO BECAUSE OF ABSENCE NEPOTE AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS NOW ATTENDING CONFERENCE IN GHANA. THEY PLAN TRY AGAIN WHEN NEPOTE AND OTHERS RETURN PARIS OCT. 22.

6. WE RECEIVED CAIRO'S 14050 SUBSEQUENT PREPARATION THIS MESSAGE. WE ARE ADVISING BRAENDEN THAT EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES PLAN SEND SAMPLE OF SEIZED MATERIAL TO UN NARCOTICS LABORATORY. HE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY WISH NEVERTHELESS TO TELEPHONE EL HAKIM TO ARRANGE FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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FASTEST POSSIBLE DELIVERY TO UN LABORATORY AND TO REQUEST FULLEST INFO ON CASE. CATTO

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